GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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POLLUTION ON SEA BEACHES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government is aware of the growing pollution along beaches in the country;

(b) whether the Government proposes to take any step to keep beaches pollution free;

(c) whether any Centrally sponsored scheme is proposed to be implemented for cleaning the beaches; and

(d) if so the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA):

(a) According to the monitoring results conducted by the Department of Ocean Development, the coastal water close to the beaches of hotspots are polluted.

(b) The steps taken to abate pollution of the beaches inter alia include:

- compliance to environmental standards for industrial effluents.
- regular monitoring by the concerned State Pollution Control Boards.
- taking legal action against non-complying industries.
- strict implementation of provisions of Coastal Zone Regulation Notification, 1991.

(c) & (d) No, Sir.